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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of
Hofstra et al.

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Sir:

Responsive to the Advisory Action dated September 29, 2004 and to the Final Rejection dated June 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below: This reply is timely filed by virtue of the Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time and payment of the appropriate extension fee enclosed herewith.

A listing of claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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